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**Texas Reality Check –**

**Lifestyle Calculator:**

First part of the assignment:

Once you are on the website above, click where it says "Start your reality check" under "Lifestyle Calculator"

1. Pick a location from the list, but before clicking on it, make sure you write it down here:

Location you chose: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. **Housing:** pick a housing from the list, but before clicking on next, make sure you write down what type and how much it costs:

Housing chose and cost: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. **Utilities:** Pick as many as you like from the list – and make sure you write them all down and how much each one cost

Utilities chosen and cost(s):\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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1. **Food:** Pick one you think you want, but write it down and how much it costs:

Food you chose and cost: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. **Transportation:**  Obviously you will need to get to work and back home, and also be able to go to the store and other things. Which will you choose? Make sure you write what you chose down and how much it costs:

Transportation you chose and the cost: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. Clothing: Which option do you want for your future? Make sure you write down which one and the cost:

Clothing you chose and the cost: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. Health Insurance Plan and optional health care: Which health care plan do you want? Not all employers will pay for your entire coverage plan. Also, what optional care plans do you want? If you have bad vision you probably need vision coverage, and pretty much everyone needs dental coverage.

Health Insurance Plans chosen and cost: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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1. Personal Care: Pick as many as you want and list them below:

Personal Care items chose and cost of each: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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1. Entertainment: pick as many as you want and list them below:

Entertainment items chosen and cost of each: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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1. Miscellaneous: Pick as many as you want from the list and write them below:

Miscellaneous items chosen and cost of each: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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1. Student Loan Debt: Pick the loan type you think you will have – you should have an idea of what this will be already from all of the other assignments we have done. A Certificate is usually 1 year, an Associates degree is usually 2 years, a Bachelors degree is usually 4 years of school, a Masters degree is usually 6 years, and a professional degree can be from 8 to 10 years. Public schools are usually the cheapest, with the next highest being private schools, and then the most expensive being “for profit” schools.

Student Loan Debt type chosen and how much cost per month: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. Family: do you plan on having children and a family? Pick and item from the list:

Family type chosen and how much cost per month: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. Savings: How much money do you want to save from each paycheck? Pick one item from the list:

Savings percentage chosen and how much costs per month: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. YOU WILL NOW COME TO THE TOTAL MONTHLY EXPENSES AND other totals

Write down Total monthly expenses: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Write down Annual Expenses: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Write down Income Tax: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Write down Annual Salary Needed: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**NOW YOU WILL NEED TO CLICK ON THE GREEN BOX THAT SAYS “EXPLORE OCCUPATIONS” to find an occupation that will allow you to live the way you said you want to live**

**On the next page you can scroll through all of the jobs available that will make the required amount for your chosen budget. CLICK ON A JOB FROM THE LIST (pick any job you like the best out of all of the options available)**

You will come to the “Occupation Profile”, here you need to answer these questions:

1. What is the Occupation Title?
2. What is the Occupation Code?
3. What is the Average wage for Texas? The Annual Salary and the Hourly Wage?
4. Summarize the Job Description:
5. What is the Method of Entry? (this means how can you get this job)
6. Watch the video of the career on the right hand side and give a 4 sentence summary of what the job does in the video:
7. What is the Percent Change (2014 – 2024) for the national statistic?
8. Under where the picture is, there should be a sentence that says “Review “(your occupation job name here)” at Texas Career Check”, CLICK THAT LINK ON THE PAGE!! A new tab will open. If you cannot figure this out, then go to this site: <http://www.texascareercheck.com/> and then in the search bar at the top, search for your occupation and then click on it.
9. Summarize some of the Job Tasks that you read when you click on the + sign next to where it says Job Tasks: (3 sentences)
10. Summarize a few of the top 10 Knowledge Areas for this occupation (3 sentences)
11. Summarize a few of the top 10 Relevant Skill Areas for this occupation (3 sentences)
12. Summarize a few of the top 10 Relevant Abilities for this occupation (3 sentences)
13. Summarize the Work Activities for this occupation (3 sentences)
14. Summarize the Work Importance Values for this occupation (2 sentences)
15. What certifications can you get for this job? (2 sentences)
16. What are some of the tools and technology used for this job? (4 sentences)
17. What are some other titles for jobs similar to this job? (2 sentences)